

## M25 Consortium Newsletter February 2021

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One of the main initiatives we took forward from the strategy was the development of task and finish groups: we hoped they would provide an opportunity for staff from member institutions to work together on focused projects, pooling knowledge and experience to create resources of real value to the community. The groups on Wellbeing and Diversity have done remarkably well to maintain momentum during the pandemic alongside the personal and professional challenges it has brought people. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of both groups and especially Pete Williams (Wellbeing chair) and Charlotte Low (who has recently stood down from the Diversity group) for all of their hard work. This month we are showcasing the Wellbeing group outputs to date. Please take time to read through the resources on the M25 website and on the blog. I have been really impressed by the quality and depth of the work produced and am sure it will help members across the Consortium consider these issues in a meaningful way. Both groups will have a spot at the M25 virtual conference on 30<sup>th</sup> March so please sign up to guarantee your place.

Matthew Lawson, M25 Consortium Chair

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## M25 Annual Conference

## Book your place now!

The Future of Libraries 30 March 2021

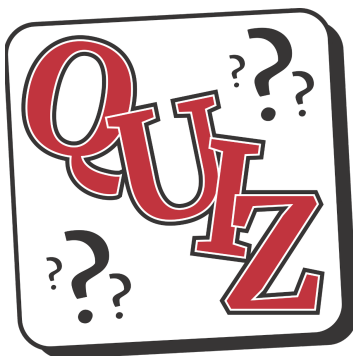
Registration for the virtual Annual Conference is now open! To book your place and view the programme click the button below.



Annual Conference



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### Reminder: Members' Quiz

25th February 5 pm

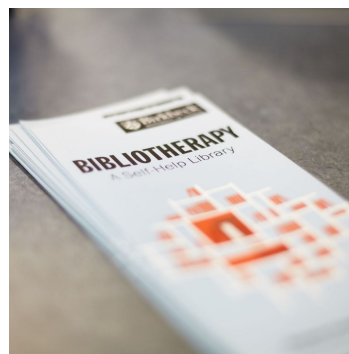
Staff from M25 member libraries are invited to join us for a general knowledge quiz on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February at 5 pm. We hope you will join us for a fun and informal evening with colleagues from across the region.

For further information and to sign up please visit the website.

Read more about the Members' Quiz

## Wellbeing Resources for Library Staff

The M25 Task & Finish Group on Wellbeing is investigating the ways academic libraries can promote student and staff wellbeing. The group is formed of seven volunteers from M25 member libraries and its work is divided into three strands: [Collections, Services and Spaces](#), and [Staff Wellbeing](#). The group has made available a number of excellent resources on the [M25 Wellbeing Blog](#) and [M25 website](#).



We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Task and Finish Group members for their work.

## M25 Wellbeing Resources



### Conference Bursaries

Exclusive M25 Member opportunity

Deadline Monday 8 March

We're now accepting applications to the Conference Bursary Scheme, part of our Staff Development Awards initiative. Bursaries are available to cover conference costs up to a maximum of £500. Members are also invited to apply for a free delegate place at the M25 Annual Conference 2021. For further details and how to apply please click the link below.

## Staff Development Awards



### M25 Vouchers

Deadline 31 July 2021

This is a reminder to all members with M25 vouchers remaining from 2019-20 or 2020-21 that voucher credit will remain valid until 31 July 2021. Vouchers can be redeemed against membership subscriptions, cpd25 events, the M25 conference, and events. For further information on vouchers please visit the Members' Area or contact [m25sgadmin@london.ac.uk](mailto:m25sgadmin@london.ac.uk). M25 Vouchers for 2021-22 will be available in the spring.

## Members' Area

## cpd25 Survey

Members are invited to complete our events survey and give us your thoughts and suggestions on how we can continue providing useful and engaging events. [Complete the survey here.](#)



## New cpd25 Task Group members

We're delighted to welcome four new staff members from M25 member institutions to the cpd25 Task Groups. The Career Development Task Group is joined by Ben Williamson from Royal Holloway, University of London, Andrew Lacey from St George's, University of London, and Amelia Hellyer from UCL. The Quality Standards and Legal Frameworks Group are joined by Andy Ekins from Queen Mary, University of London. To read more about cpd25 and the Task Groups please [visit our website.](#)

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